

Supervisor Burke Joins Man Who Lost His Home to Celebrate a Happy Homecoming

Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke joined County Treasurer and Tax Collector Mark Saladino, Inglewood Mayor Roosevelt Dorn and Inglewood Police Chief Ron Banks to celebrate the return of Terrell Dotson to his home, which he lost in a tax auction in 2002. Dotson, an 85-year-old former World War II veteran, had lost his Inglewood condo because of an unpaid 1995 tax installment of \$546, which was a bill that had been sent to the previous owner. Even though he had paid all subsequent tax installments, Dotson was evicted from his home, his furniture was removed (and disappeared), and the condo was auctioned off for \$81,000.



Supervisor Burke (center) – accompanied by William Montgomery (right), Clinical Coordinator of the Westside Residential Hall for veterans, where Mr. Dotson resided after being evicted – was given a tour of Terrell Dotson's (left) newly renovated condo before her news conference welcoming Dotson back into his home.

“Mr. Dotson has been able to return to his home because of the generosity of people in the community and from as far away as Orange County, and because of the efforts of the County of Los Angeles to redress his situation,” Burke said. “Even more important, County tax collection procedures have been changed so that senior citizens who may be confused by property tax bills will be identified and assisted in a timely manner, to help them avoid losing their homes.”

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Employee of the Month Health Services' Dr. Ayalnesh Belete

Dr. Ayalnesh Belete is a 24-year employee of the County of Los Angeles and currently works as a Clinical Pharmacist with the Department of Health Services' LAC+USC Medical Center.

“As a clinical pharmacist, I provide information on medications to assist doctor's optimization of drug therapy for patients and I write protocols to standardize and improve patient care outcome,” Dr. Belete said. “Additionally, I teach fourth-year USC pharmacy students and pharmacy practice residents at the LAC+USC Burn Unit pharmacy,” she continued.

She is an ardent patient advocate and has initiated and collaborated in numerous projects to enhance patient

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Descanso Gardens

1418 Descanso Dr., La Canada Flintridge
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www.descanso.com

Oct 25-26 - Pumpkin Parade

Nov 1-2 - Chrysanthemum Show

Nov 8 - Lunar Eclipse Party

Nov 21-23 - Jardins en Plein-Air Benefit and Art Show

The Ford Amphitheatre

2580 Cahuenga Blvd. East, Hollywood
(323) 461-3673

www.fordamphitheatre.com

Nov 1 - Day of the Dead Celebration: Mexican cultural tradition

Los Angeles County Museum of Art

5905 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles
(323) 857-6000

www.lacma.org

Oct 5 - Jan 4, 2004 - The Circle of Bliss: Buddhist
Meditational Art

Music Center

135 N. Grand Ave., Los Angeles
(213) 628-2772

www.musiccenter.org

Ahmanson Theatre

Oct 8 - Dec 6 - Andrew Lloyd Webber's Phantom of the Opera

Mark Taper Forum - Music Center

Oct 2 - Nov 9 - "Homebody/Kabul"

Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County

900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles
(213) 763-3466

www.nhm.org

Oct 19 - Jan 4, 2004 - *Grandes Maestros*: Great Masters of
Mexican Folk Art from the Collection of
Fomento Cultural Banamex

Walt Disney Concert Hall

151 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles
(213) 972-7300

<http://wdch.laphil.com>

Oct 28 - Baroque Variations: Mozart, Beethoven, Bach

Oct 30 - Nov 2 - Los Angeles Philharmonic - Mahler's
"Resurrection"

Nov 3 - Green Umbrella: Soloists from the Los Angeles
Philharmonic New Music Group

Nov 6, 8 & 9 - Los Angeles Philharmonic - Haydn

Nov 7 - Los Angeles Philharmonic - Stravinsky

Nov 14-16 - Los Angeles Philharmonic - Milhaud, Mozart, Bartok

Nov 20-23 - Los Angeles Philharmonic - Ravel, Francesconi,
Saint-Saens, Ravel

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS AT COUNTY LIBRARIES

Bring the kids to your local County library for Halloween fun. In October, County libraries will offer special Halloween stories and programs. Some Halloween programs are listed below. Call your local County library to get the schedule for a Halloween event near you or check out the "Calendar and Events" section of the County Library Web site at www.colapublib.org. A variety of library programs are listed.

Countdown to Halloween: Masks and More!

Halloween crafts - including masks

Friday, October 24 at 3:30 p.m.

Littlerock Library

35119 80th Street East, Littlerock

(661)944-4138

Kids Stories for Halloween

A frog, a fortune teller, and a swami tell stories

Saturday, October 25 at 12:30 p.m.

Compton Library

240 W. Compton Blvd., Compton

(310) 637-0202

Halloween Program

Stories and music with Merrick Hamer

Thursday, October 30 at 3:30 p.m.

Chet Holifield Library

1060 So. Greenwood Ave., Montebello

(323) 728-0421

Haunted House

In the Children's Activity Room

October 29-31

AC Bilbrew Library

150 East El Segundo Blvd., Los Angeles

(310) 538-3350

Halloween Magic

Magic show with Tony Daniels

Saturday, November 1 at 3:00 p.m.

Lennox Library

4359 Lennox Blvd., Lennox

(310) 674-0385

Supervisor Yaroslavsky Attends the Grand Opening of the Veterans' Village Diner and the Launching of "Healthy Kids"

Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, *right*, dropped by the Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Healthcare Center for the Grand Opening of the Veterans' Village Diner. This is a self-help project launched by New Directions, Inc., a long-term substance abuse treatment program and social-service agency serving more than 800 homeless veterans annually. The Diner is a restaurant employing formerly homeless veterans at the Brentwood Veterans Affairs location. It serves healthy fare for Veterans Affairs personnel and other Westside residents and will use its proceeds to assist the male and female veterans to get back on their feet and get their lives back on track. Joining Supervisor Yaroslavsky were John Fitzgerald, Jr. Acting Associate Director for Administration and Support, Veterans Administration, West Los Angeles; and Toni Reinis, Executive Director, New Directions, Inc.



Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, (*left*), joined Supervisor Chair Yvonne Brathwaite Burke (*center*) and four children to celebrate the launch of "Healthy Kids," a historic program to provide free or low-cost health coverage for eligible children ages 5 and younger in the County of Los Angeles. Sponsored by First 5 LA, a not-for-profit organization funded by Prop.10, the voter-approved tobacco tax initiative, "Healthy Kids" — initiated by Yaroslavsky as a past Chair of the First 5 LA Commission - will extend health coverage to young children living in homes with incomes under 300% of the federal poverty level (\$55,224 for a family of four). In the County of Los Angeles, an estimated 73,000 children, ages 5 and younger lack health insurance. "Healthy Kids" will offer comprehensive coverage including routine doctor visits, immunizations, hospital care, dental and vision care, and more for at least a five-year funding cycle.



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OCTOBER RETIREES

Congratulations to the following employees who are joining the ranks of the retired after 30 or more years of service to the people of the County of Los Angeles:

FIRE: Bruce T. Hoxsey, Lee Oliver, Jesse P. Perez, Leonard M. Phelps, David E. Roghair, Elbert L. Scroggins, Terry Staudenmayer, Thomas C. Wildey

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PUBLIC WORKS: Manuel Correa, Henry F. Roediger III

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SUPERIOR COURT: Steven Forrest, James C. Winston

TREASURER& TAX COLLECTOR: Gualberto B. Langi

Congratulations to the following employees who are joining the ranks of the retired after 25 or more years of service to the people of the County of Los Angeles:

CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES: Mary E. Dixon

CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES: Darlene M. Salazar

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Diane A. Smith

HEALTH SERVICES: Esperanza T. Acuna, Barbara J. Junior, Henry S. Sanchez, Bobbie F. Toussaint

HUMAN RESOURCES/OPS: Joyce N. Gray

MENTAL HEALTH: Ronald M. Florendo

PROBATION: Tommy Rosas

PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES: Janice L. Lambert, Rosa M. Lemvo

SHERIFF: Ronald L. Eggleston, Jerrie B. McKown, Julian Rincon, Dale J. Tullio

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comfort and care, such as her development of a pain treatment algorithm and protocol for the Burn Unit, an extravasations treatment kit for chemotherapeutic agents, pediatric dosage and CPR dosage sheet for the Burn Unit and a neuromuscular blocking agents protocol.

"The one project that I feel proud and privileged to have contributed to is the burn pain management algorithm and protocol," Dr. Belete stated. "The protocol helped to establish a uniform and systematic approach to treating burn pain and has had a huge impact in burn patients' comfort and care."

"The part of my job that I enjoy the most is the opportunity to work in a team where participants bring diverse expertise and work towards one goal of providing quality care for patients," Dr. Belete stated. Her fellow clinical pharmacists help make their workplace a place where creative ideas are embraced and developed further to provide patients the best care possible.

Dr. Belete is a founding member of a non-profit organization called TESFA which operates a family rehabilitation program that assists destitute and homeless families with under-age children in Ethiopia. "Like the word 'Tesfa' which means 'hope' in my language (Amharic), we hope to become part of the solution in the lives of the homeless and disadvantaged by extending a helping hand," Dr. Belete said. In its 10 year existence, this program has helped over 300 individuals out of poverty.

The organization's most recent project "Adopt a Village" concentrates on the health, educational, agricultural and economic needs of communities in rural Ethiopia. "I am proud to say that we have just completed developing a water spring in a remote village where 2,000 inhabitants have access to fresh, clean drinking water for the first time," Dr. Belete proudly stated.

Dr. Belete is the oldest of her family of three siblings. Her younger sister resides in the Los Angeles area and her brother lives in Ethiopia. "My parents, who reside in Ethiopia, at an early age instilled in me the value of education and the obligation to help those less fortunate than me," Dr. Belete concluded.

We applaud your accomplishments and wish you success in your future County and personal endeavors.



Supervisor Knabe Kicks Off Kids Fishing Derby at La Mirada Regional Park

Clear, sunny skies welcomed over 1,000 youth, ages 5 to 15, to this year's Knabe Katch Kids Fishing Derby at La Mirada Regional Park. Supervisor Don Knabe and the Kiwanis Club of La Mirada, along with the City of La Mirada, presented the annual event providing free t-shirts, food and prizes to local children and families who came to the community event.

"The fishing derbies are always fun events that kids and families look forward to and many return to participate each year," Knabe said. "Even if a kid has never fished, there are volunteers on hand to show them the art of casting and putting a worm on a hook."

Following a pancake breakfast, children took part in

free lessons on fishing techniques and angler safety. Each derby includes other activities and prizes in several categories.

Department of Parks and Recreation staff, led by John Norcia, Ken Hopper and Dingo Mercado were an invaluable part of the planning and coordination of the event. The State Department of Fish and Game also helped make the fishing derby a success by helping to stock the lake with catfish and providing fishing poles.

American Medical Response helped sponsor the event, providing first aid assistance to participants and led the derby's kick-off with blaring sirens along with the Los Angeles County Fire Department.



Supervisor Don Knabe congratulates Fishing Derby winner Erin Moore (right) for a great catch.

Knabe Katch Kids Fishing Derby Winners

Ages 5-7

- 1st — Leticia Gutierrez
- 2nd — Lamar Smith
- 3rd — Kiandra Edison

Ages 8-9

- 1st — Sylvia Miller
- 2nd — Jesus Zambrano
- 3rd — Ana Marie Torres

Ages 10-12

- 1st — Ramiro Jarra
- 2nd — Erin Moore
- 3rd — Anthony Iacono

Ages 13-15

- 1st — Aaron Liu
- 2nd — Luis Zambrano
- 3rd — Hector Perez

ENRICHING LIVES...

Probation Department

National Starlings Club Volleyball Tournament



The championship match featured two teams from Los Angeles County, Pio Pico and Victoria Park of Carson (8-1; 6-0 in Pool Play). Pio Pico captured both games by the scores of 25-23 and 25-21 en route to their second title. In other action, Charles Drew and Gompers Middle Schools won the Gold and Bronze Divisions respectively and South Los Angeles finished in third place in the 16--and-under age group. The Athens Park teams concluded the tournament in ninth place.

For the second consecutive year, the 14-and-under girl's team from Pio Pico Middle School (9-0; 6-0 in Pool Play) won the National Starlings Club Volleyball Tournament championship. The tournament was held at University of California at San Diego, June 19-22. Pio Pico was one of eight Los Angeles County teams participating in the volleyball tournament that featured 85 teams from across the country including Atlanta, Georgia, Baltimore, Maryland, New York and Portland, Oregon. The club volleyball program is provided through support of the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act and is a collaborative effort between Probation's Juvenile Special Services Bureau, County of Los Angeles Department of Parks & Recreation and School Districts.



Success is Our Future



More than 800-plus probation foster care youth attended the 11th Annual “Success is Our Future” scholarship awards dinner held at the Los Angeles Airport Marriott Hotel on May 22. Assisting the “Success is Our Future” committee members with the distribution of the college scholarships were Khleo Thomas and Miguel Castro of Walt Disney Pictures’ “Holes.” In the motion picture, Thomas portrays Hector Zeroni also known as “Zero,” a foster care child who is sent to Camp Green Lake, a juvenile detention facility, who solves the 100-year old mystery as he learns how to read through friendship. Castro, who hails from South Los Angeles, plays the character “Magnet,” whose nickname comes from his fingers being referred to as little magnets.

Also in attendance that night was Antwone Fisher of Fox Searchlight’s “The Antwone Fisher Story.” Fisher delivered an inspirational speech and awarded certificates of appreciation to the committee members provided by Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke’s Office. Through the generous support of the Occidental Petroleum Corporation, Weingart Foundation, Esther Strathy and the Lori Logan Memorial Funds, the Probation Department’s Independent Living Program and 13 Los Angeles group home and foster care providers awarded scholarships and gift certificates to deserving probation foster care youth wishing to continue their education at institutions of higher learning.

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Last February, Supervisor Burke introduced a motion to change tax collection procedures. It also called for a Board letter to the California legislature urging a law that would require personal consultation with taxpayers who face the possibility of losing their homes for taxes that are less than 10% of the assessed valuation. The motion was passed unanimously, and the County Treasurer and Tax Collector's office immediately moved to make property tax bills easier to understand. In the meantime, State Senator Jackie Speier authored a bill, SB 663, which at this date is in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

At the news conference welcoming Mr. Dotson home, Supervisor Burke noted that her office had made it possible to open negotiations with the family that had bought the condo at the tax auction. "They were assured they would be taken care of," Burke said. "My office made sure to get them information on the fair market value of the property, and the County Treasurer and Tax Collector Mark Saladino allowed them to sell back other property they had bought at the tax auction, so that this deal could be finalized." Supervisor Burke also passed out information on Senior Citizen Deferments and Tax Installment Payment Plans at the event.

In attendance were Judge Harry Pregerson, U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals and a former World War II veteran, who on hearing of Mr. Dotson's plight, searched him out and had him put up in a residential hall for previously homeless veterans. Others that spoke included two Inglewood Police Department officers, who listened to Dotson's story and became his champions. They found an attorney, Jim Hinds, who took Mr. Dotson's case pro bono, and took the story to the Los Angeles Times and to Supervisor Burke's office.

Mr. Dotson thanked Supervisor Burke, the Treasurer and Tax Collector, staff from Community and Senior Services, the Inglewood Police Department, and "all the people from all over who I never knew were friends of mine." Then he invited attendees into his home to take photographs, and to have refreshments.



At the news conference, Supervisor Burke (third from right) listened to Inglewood Police Sergeant Rod Ramos, who first brought Mr. Dotson's plight to the attention of officials. Also taking part were (left to right) Mr. Dotson (seated); Treasurer and Tax Collector Mark Saladino, Judge Harry Pregerson, Inglewood Mayor Roosevelt Dorn, Inglewood Police Chief Ron Banks, William Montgomery, Clinical Coordinator of the Westside Residential Hall for veterans; and Reuben Taylor, Inglewood Police Department Community Affairs Officer, who organized and supervised the renovation of the condo, and has been asked by Mr. Dotson to oversee his affairs.

Supervisor Antonovich Hails the Foster Children Library Card Pilot Program a Success

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich announced that the foster children library card pilot program that he initiated last year has been a tremendous success.

Foster children without parents or guardians to assume responsibility for borrowed library materials were not able to receive library cards before Supervisor Antonovich's August 2002 motion.

"Without a library card, foster children do not have take-home access to the wealth of materials that are fundamental to educational and personal development," Antonovich said.

Supervisor Antonovich's motion directed the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the County Librarian to issue library cards to foster children and established a one-year pilot program to ensure that foster children would have access to the Public Library system in the County of Los Angeles.



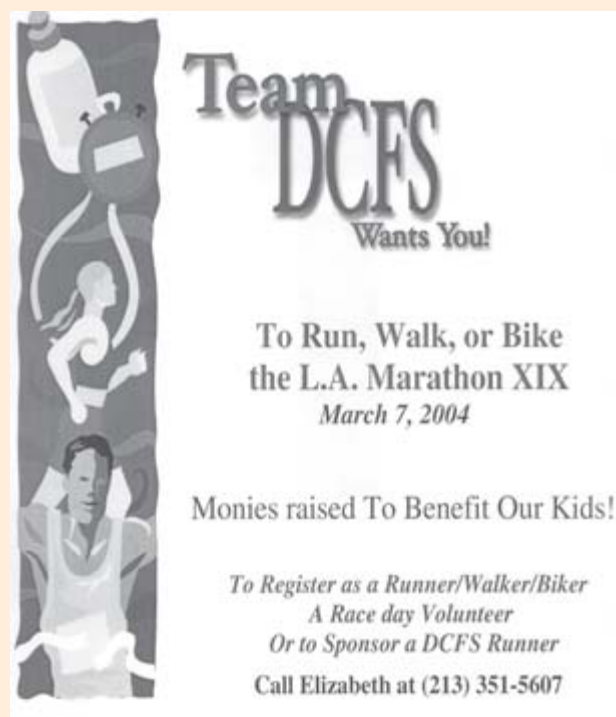
The Public Library worked closely with DCFS to develop service parameters such as filtered public access computer use and ensure sensitive interactions with the children and their caregivers. The Public Library also changed its automated circulation system to waive fines and fees for foster children.

Since implementation in October 2002 through June 2003, 104 children have received library cards in the program, with minimal loss rates. The Public Library has recommended continuance of the program and has begun to provide information and library card forms to judges at the Edelman Court to increase program awareness.

For more information on how to adopt a Los Angeles County foster child, please call the Adoption Hotline at (888) 811-1121.

Team DCFS Invites Everyone to Join the Los Angeles Marathon

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) invites you to join Team DCFS and run, walk or bike the Los Angeles Marathon on March 7, 2004. Monies raised will benefit a number of special programs provided for children under DCFS supervision. For those who prefer structured and expert supervision, the Los Angeles Road Runners offer a 29-week marathon training program with weekly group runs at Venice Beach. If you choose to train, register with Team DCFS now. If you wish to recruit sponsors, donations made prior to October 31st will be matched. For further information on how to register, be a race day volunteer or sponsor a DCFS runner/walker, please call Elizabeth at (213) 351-5607 or Susan at (213) 351-5594.



The 17th Annual Productivity and Quality Awards Program “2003: Enriching Lives...”

The Quality and Productivity Commission proudly announces a celebration honoring employees and departments that have developed and implemented outstanding projects at an awards ceremony on October 29 at the Music Center. The “Top Ten” award winners will be recognized for their achievements in improving service quality and productivity, generating savings, implementing or improving processes, and establishing beneficial collaborations. Please share in the celebration and congratulate the following award winners:

Project Name - Department with Collaborating Agencies (Departments Listed In Alphabetical Order)

Los Angeles County “Buyer Beware” Program - Board of Supervisors, 1st District, with Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures Bureau and Department of Consumer Affairs.

Self-Help Legal Access Centers - Consumer Affairs with Board of Supervisors 1st, 2nd, 3rd Districts, and Executive Office, Internal Services, Superior Court, and Judicial Procedures Commission.

E-Commerce Blasts Coroner Marketing into Future - Coroner with Auditor-Controller, Chief Information Office, County Counsel, Internal Services, and Treasurer and Tax Collector.

Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Response Team - District Attorney with Children and Family Services Coastal Monitoring Network - Fire with Beaches and Harbors.

The WIN Program - Probation.

T.A.G. – Totally Against Graffiti - Public Works with Sheriff.

Empowering Blind and Visually Impaired Voters - Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

Los Angeles County Amber Alert System - Sheriff with Chief Administrative Office, Chief Information Office, and Internal Services.

Superior Court Web Online Data Services - Superior Court with Internal Services

Supervisor Molina and Grand Avenue Authority Announce Civic and Cultural Center

The dream of creating a vibrant downtown city center and focal point for Los Angeles came one step closer to reality when Supervisor Molina and the Grand Avenue Authority unveiled plans for a Civic Center redevelopment project.



Supervisor Gloria Molina (*second from right*), along with (*from left to right*) Redevelopment Agency Vice Chairman Shu Kwan Woo, Los Angeles Mayor Jim Hahn, Los Angeles Councilwoman Jan Perry, Grand Avenue Committee Co-Chair Eli Broad, California First Lady Sharon Davis and Grand Avenue Committee Member Jim Thomas revealed details of the project that will dramatically transform Grand Avenue and create a 16-acre park from City Hall to the Department of Water and Power building. The park will provide a place where all the people of Los Angeles can meet to celebrate holidays as well as enjoy concerts and other entertainment.

Three years in the planning, this cohesive and coordinated approach to create an area with cultural, educational, housing and retail facilities in addition to an urban park that will make downtown living more enjoyable for those already residing there. In addition, the rapidly growing number of people expected to move downtown in the next several years will enjoy these benefits as well.

"This is an exciting time for Angelenos and all those who work and visit Los Angeles as we prepare for a more vibrant, accessible and livable downtown," Molina said. "In addition, the uniqueness of a major park in the heart of downtown Los Angeles is testament to our belief that this area is becoming an all-encompassing place where businesses and families can enjoy the commodities of city life with the luxuries of green and recreation space."

"Today we are on the verge of creating the true heart of our city," Grand Avenue Committee Co-Chair Eli Broad said. "Paris has its Champs-Élysées. New York has Rockefeller Center, Times Square and Central Park. Now Los Angeles will have at its center a Grand Boulevard and an urban park, providing millions of people each year the opportunity to walk, shop and play while enjoying downtown at its best. Rather than rushing home, now those who work downtown will have an exciting environment in which to spend quality time before and after work."

An economic impact study conducted by the Grand Avenue Committee predicts more than \$85 million will be generated annually in local, County and State taxes, and 16,000 long-term jobs will be created when the project is complete. Moreover, the development builds upon the more than \$1 billion in current investments on Grand Avenue, including Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral, the Colburn School of Performing Arts, the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) and the Music Center's fourth venue, Walt Disney Concert Hall.

Most of the funding for this expansive project will come from the private sector. Approximately \$300 million will be needed for public infrastructure improvements and approximately \$900 million for real estate development. Key developments of the initiative include:

Civic Park ó The most significant public component of this project is the Civic Park between the Department of Water and Power building and City Hall. Completing the park will require replacing the surface parking lot between Broadway and Spring Street and upgrading the portions of the park already built, including the Music Center Plaza. The park will provide a central location for civic events, cultural gatherings, outdoor performances and events.

Streetscape Environment ó Grand Avenue's makeover will include wide, pedestrian-friendly, tree-shaded sidewalks lined with cafes, restaurants and shops, making Grand Avenue not only a destination in itself, but encouraging residents and visitors to walk between the Richard J. Riordan Central Library, through the Financial District and the Cultural District to the north. Sidewalks, trees, lights, benches and kiosks will be the primary elements in defining the street's identity.

Land Development ó Four development areas, located between the Civic Center and the Financial District, provide the potential for more than three million square-feet for a mix of retail, office, entertainment and residential uses, which will add more than 7,000 people to the district daily and create activity both day and night. In addition, new restaurants, cinema, bookstores, jazz clubs, theaters and other retail and entertainment venues will be developed.



Grand Avenue at First Street

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An artist's rendition of the completed Grand Avenue corridor

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Public Employees Evening at Los Angeles Opera

County and City of Los Angeles employees are invited to join Los Angeles Opera's Public Employees Club and attend the final dress rehearsal of Gluck's *Orfeo ed Euridice* at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 25 at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion of the Music Center.

Gluck's revolutionary *Orfeo ed Euridice* is one of the most significant works in the operatic repertoire, a bridge from Handel to Mozart incorporating the best of both styles: ornate vocal lines and beautiful melodies, plus dramatic clarity and integrity. With *Orfeo*, Gluck permanently changed the face of opera. In the age-old story, *Orfeo* descends into the underworld to retrieve his lost *Euridice* but must first tame the Furies and face Love's challenge. Two Grammy-nominated artists star in the title roles: mezzo-soprano Vivica Genaux in her Los Angeles Opera debut and Spanish soprano Maria Bayo, who delighted Los

Angeles audiences in 2001 as Susanna in Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro*.

County or City of Los Angeles employees who apply for membership will also receive 20% discounts to selected performances of the following operas from the 2003-04 Season: *Madama Butterfly*, *Die Frau ohne Schatten*, *Le Nozze di Figaro* and *Il Trovatore*. In addition, all members will become eligible for discounts at various local restaurants and businesses.

To join, call (213) 972-8001 and ask for the Los Angeles Opera Public Employees Club or mail or fax the application below by the **November 11, 2003** deadline (not a postmark). Tickets are extremely limited. Please return your order early!

Yes, I would like to purchase ____ individual memberships at \$25.00 each (*maximum of two memberships per order*) for a total of \$ _____. (*Please make checks payable to: Los Angeles Opera and send by mail. You may fax your credit card information to:*

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Name on card: _____

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